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[Inclosure No. 2.]

Report of baggage disinfected by the barge Protector at Havana for the week ended December 9, 1899.

Date.	Name of steamer.	Sailed from.	Destination.	Trunks.	Baggage.		
					Valises.	Parcels.	Total.
Dec. 4....	Olivette.....	Havana...	Tampa.....	31	11	5	47
Dec. 6....	Mascotte.....	.....do.....	.....do.....	39	23	2	64
Dec. 7....	Whitney.....	.....do.....	New Orleans..	5	4	1	10
Dec. 9....	Olivette.....	.....do.....	Tampa.....	58	50	8	116
Total.....				133	88	16	237

I certify that the above report is correct.

Respectfully,

G. M. GUITÉRAS,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

[Inclosure No. 3.]

HAVANA, CUBA, December 9, 1899.

SIR: In view of the fact of the passing of a case of smallpox by the medical officers, on board the French steamer *La Navarre*, and bearing in mind that a case of bubonic plague might in the same way have got through, I have to inform you that the following plan will be adopted hereafter in the case of vessels carrying a large number of passengers coming from infected localities:

1. The inspection of such vessels to be made by one or both of the boarding officers, and yourself.

2. One of the boarding officers to remain on board the vessel after the inspection until the steamer is docked, or, if anchored in the bay until all the passengers have disembarked.

3. A second inspection to be made at the time the passengers are leaving the vessel, and the steamer and crew to be thoroughly inspected after the landing of the passengers.

I have again to impress upon you and the boarding officers, that great care must be exercised in the inspection of such vessels.

Respectfully,

G. M. GUITÉRAS,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Act. Asst. Surg. E. F. McCONNELL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service, Havana, Cuba.

Cases of yellow fever on transport Kilpatrick at Havana.

HAVANA, December 22, 1899.

WYMAN, Washington, D. C.: Case of yellow fever on transport *Kilpatrick*. Vessel disinfected and sent Mariel to serve quarantine detention.—GUITÉRAS.

Concerning the work of the Protector at Havana.

PHILADELPHIA, December 12, 1899.

SIR: Referring to conversation with the writer regarding the *Protector*, we note that we have late inquiries regarding the vessel from Dr. A. J. Martin, inspector-general des S. sanitaires, Paris, France, through L. Derrecagaix, director of health at Havre, and as this letter is interesting, we inclose a copy.

We have also written to parties in Portugal, Chili, Brazil, and Colombia regarding the *Protector*, which seems from its service in Havana Harbor to have attracted great attention to the valuable work of your Bureau.

Respectfully,

KENSINGTON ENGINE WORKS, LIMITED,

W. H. FRANCIS,

Secretary and Treasurer.

[Inclosure.]

HAVRE, *September 25, 1899.*

I have been intrusted by Dr. A. J. Martin, general inspector of the sanitary service in Paris, to get some information concerning the *Protector*, whose reputation came here from Havana Harbor.

I would be very much obliged if you could send a prospectus to the above-mentioned doctor, who could call the attention of our Government to the necessity of having a similar engine.

The name of the plague, which hangs over Europe, would also give good impulse toward sanitary improvements. Then, I hope you will write the details which shall be received with thankfulness.

Respectfully,

L. DERRECAGAIX,
The Director of Health.

MESSIEURS LES ADMINISTRATEURS DU THE KENSINGTON ENGINE WORKS.

*Reports from Matanzas, Cardenas, and Isabela de Sagua.*MATANZAS, CUBA, *December 13, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following sanitary report of the quarantine district under my command for the week ended December 9, 1899:

Matanzas.—Twenty-five deaths occurred in the city of Matanzas during the period covered by this report, showing a mortality of 32.64 per thousand. The principal causes of deaths were as follows: Malarial fever, 7; enteritis, 5; infantile tetanus, 3; tuberculosis, 2; heart disease, 2; other causes, 6. The following case of an infectious character was reported: Diphtheria, 1. Seven vessels were inspected on arrival; 6 of these were foreign and 1 a coasting vessel. Six bills of health were issued to foreign vessels and 1 certificate of inspection to a coasting vessel. Nineteen health certificates were issued, 5 to persons leaving the island via Havana. Twelve pieces of baggage were disinfected and 10 were inspected and passed.

Cardenas.—Act. Asst. Surg. Enrique Saez reports 18 deaths in Cardenas during the week, all from general diseases. No cases of a particularly infectious or contagious character were reported. Four vessels were inspected on arrival; 3 of these were foreign and 1 was a coasting vessel. Two bills of health were issued to foreign vessels.

Isabela de Sagua.—Act. Asst. Surg. Pedro Garcia Riera reports 2 foreign vessels were inspected on arrival, 1 bill of health issued to foreign vessel.

Caibarien.—Reports not received in time.

Respectfully,

FELIX GARCIA,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

*Report from Nuevitas.*NUEVITAS, CUBA, *December 10, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report for the week ended December 9, 1899:

Eight vessels have arrived and 8 bills of health have been issued. The mortality during this week has increased considerably, but it is among old people that the deaths have been more numerous, and the diseases are not infectious ones. One Spaniard and 3 Americans have been detained at Cayo Puto during three days to complete five from their departure from Havana. Rain has been very frequent dur-